

### **REMARKS**

Claims 1 and 25 have been amended to clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention. Claim 47 has been cancelled. Claims 1-46 and 48 remain pending.

Claims 25, 29, 31, 45-46, and 48 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,002,867 to Charles P. Jazdzewski (“Jazdzewski”). Further, claims 1-24, 26-28, 30, and 32-44 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Jazdzewski in view of *.NET® Framework Essentials*, June 2001, O’Reilly®, Lam et al. (“Lam”).

The rejections are respectfully traversed. As amended, claim 1 recites “...providing an ancestor class under an object framework, the ancestor class for representing a form in the development system and configured to allow migration of one or more tools and one or more programs from another form-based development system to the development system...” and “constructing the particular form in the development system based on the instance of the descendant class and making a design time representation of the form visible to the user without using source code and without compiling the descendant class....” Neither Jazdzewski nor Lam disclose, teach, suggest, motivate, or otherwise describe providing an ancestor class under an object framework, the ancestor class for representing a form in the development system and configured to allow migration of one or more tools and one or more programs from another form-based development system to the development system. Further, constructing the particular form in the development system based on the instance of the descendant class and making a design time representation of the form visible to the user without using source code and without compiling the descendant class is also not disclosed, taught, suggested, motivated, or otherwise

described by Jazdzewski or Lam. Thus, Applicants submit that claim 1 is allowable for the reasons stated above.

Claims 2-24 depend directly or indirectly from claim 1 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above. Further, claim 25 was amended similarly to claim 1 and is also believed to be allowable. Claims 26-46 and 48 depend directly or indirectly from claim 25 and are also believed to be allowable for the same reasons as those forth for claim 1 above.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested based on the preceding remarks. If at any time the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned.

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